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MEMORANDUM FOR: NSA/TCO : 25X1A

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NSA/LO/NPIC

SUBJECT : Search for Atomic Energy Activities at Three Facilities at Luta (Talien), Communist China

REFERENCE : NSA Requirement (NPIC Project 110145)

1. This memorandum is in response to your requirement which requests an analysis for evidences of participation in the atomic energy program of Communist China by 523 Factory, a secured storage tank site, and a nearby chemical plant, all near Luta, China.

25X1D 2. Good quality cloud-free aerial photography of [redacted] was examined carefully, with negative results. There is no visual evidence of the reduction of uranium to a metallic state in or about 523 Factory, in or about the so-called tanks, and at the chemical (explosives and artificial gas production) plant. No connection is apparent between the secured storage tanks and 523 Factory. No atomic energy association is visible between the chemical plant and 523 Factory.

3. Photography used in the examination of the three facilities at Luta (Talien), Communist China, is as follows:

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4. This project is considered to be complete.

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